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Renters being wooed by city landlords

INCENTIVES The landlords' market has turned into a renters' market in Calgary. At least for now.

Calgary rental companies, such as Boardwalk, are offering tenants a discount on monthly rent, low security deposit and incentives such as free cable if renters sign a one-year lease.

The incentives are a stark contrast to the days when landlords were increasing rents across the city when there was an almost zero per cent vacancy rate.

"I'm in a much better place renting this time than I was last year," renter Monica White said of the discounts. **METRO CALGARY**

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Corner Gas closes shop

Spring Fever Kiddin' around



Zha-Zha from Just Kidding paints three-year-old Celia Yu's face at Fort Calgary's annual Spring Fever event yesterday. Kids and families gathered at the event full of arts, crafts and games.

Is speeding a factor?

Ticket fighter, police at odds over Deerfoot collision statistics

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While Calgary police support unmanned speed cameras on Deerfoot Trail because speed is cited as a major cause of accidents, less than one per cent of collisions on the roadway resulted in speeding tickets last year.

According to Calgary police statistics, there were 2,614 collisions on Deerfoot Trail in 2008 and 30 tickets were given for unreasonable speed. The majority of

the 356 issued tickets were for following too closely and driving without due care and attention.

Charlie Pester, former police officer and Pointts ticket fighter, said the statistics show speed isn't the number 1 cause of accidents, contrary to what the Calgary police say.

"Their numbers support the fact this is just a cash grab. Speeding is not the number 1 cause of accidents; I mean 30 tickets out of 2,600 accidents, come on," Pester said. "This will work for creat-

ing revenue but that's about it, it won't stop collisions from happening."

Pester said staffed speed traps work better and he believes unmanned cameras will just cause a "panic effect."

"People will suddenly slow down or slam on the brakes to avoid a ticket, and just resume speed afterwards. People will learn what the cameras look like and where they are situated," Pester added.

But traffic Staff. Sgt Brett Marklund said the stats can be misconstrued because

not all of the accidents were actually on Deerfoot and many of them were on the exit ramps.

"Bottom line is the only people who call this a cash cow are the ones who are speeding. I call it a user fee and if you don't speed, you don't pay," Marklund said.

Marklund said he supports the cameras on Deerfoot because he believes they would help reduce collisions on the roadway.

"But right now there is no legislation for it so it's not going to happen anytime soon," he added.

Single residence holds out on LRT deal

SHAWN LOGAN
for Metro Calgary

EXPROPRIATION City officials have managed to hammer out land deals with all but one residential property for the west leg of the LRT with the deadline for takeover looming.

Sarah Quayle, project lead for the city's west LRT expropriation efforts, said of the five of 27 owners that spurned city offers in January, only two living in a single duplex remain outstanding and could wind up in front of the province's Land Compensation Board.

Meanwhile, of 18 commercial properties only three have deals in place.

"We can still work out a deal any time before it goes to the Land Compensation Board," said Quayle, noting the city will take possession of any properties that haven't worked out an agreement on June 30.

"Any one still on the property will have to vacate — it won't delay construction."

Quayle added the remaining residential and commercial owners will begin receiving compensation cheques at the end of this month and would have up to a year from when the first one arrives to appeal the city's final offer.

The \$716-million project is slated to begin construction early in 2010.

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A 25-year-old man is facing charges after a Calgary police officer was dragged by a car during a routine traffic stop on Friday. Police charged Andrio Martin, of no fixed address, with dangerous driving causing injury, assault to resist arrest, escaping custody, obstruction and resisting arrest. **METRO CALGARY**

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Group fights to save historic planes

City council to look at costs of restoring two Second World War-era aircraft

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The city shouldn't parachute away from a controversial pair of mothballed aircraft, says the Calgary Heritage Authority.

A report on the cost to maintain and repair two Second World War-era planes is expected to come before council soon, just as

a letter drafted last week by the city's heritage agency called on officials to retain both the de Havilland Mosquito and a Hawker Hurricane.

"The CHA encourages council to retain these valuable and unique aircraft as an integral part of the city-owned collection," reads the letter signed by the authority's chairman, Gerry Meek.

Last year the fate of the

Mosquito came into question when an offer to purchase the decaying relic for a reported \$1.5 million to an overseas collector was revealed, funds that would be used to restore the Hurricane.

But a massive outcry from local aircraft enthusiasts prompted council to reconsider the move, choosing to

look at options and costs to keep and restore one or both of them.

Ald. Gord Lowe, a former board member of the Aerospace Museum of Calgary, said regardless of what council decides, something needs to be done to ensure the two aircraft don't further deteriorate.

"We've got to do something now to stop the ongo-

ing rot," he said.

"If the city decides to retain these planes, then comes the issue of how to pay for their conservation and restoration."

The cost to restore the Hurricane to museum quality alone would be in excess of \$1 million, Lowe said.

Richard de Boer of the Calgary Mosquito Society, which successfully pushed council to reconsider the planned sale of the aircraft,

said the endorsement will help continue the growing momentum.

"We welcome any support of this kind because both of these are important aircraft," he said.

"Certainly it seems like there's been a groundswell of support from both veterans and aviation groups."

The city will next put out a call for bids to see what the cost to restore the planes will run.



Ald. Gord Lowe

Albertan dies in B.C. avalanche

DEATH A 24-year-old Albertan was killed snowmobiling near the Alberta-B.C. border on Friday. The Sherwood Park resident was one of 10 riders trying to ride up a steep climb near Valemount, B.C., when he triggered an avalanche that killed him.

Police are withholding the victim's name until they notify his family.

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Immigration Guidy Mann on how Canada's new citizenship law reflects current social values at metronews.ca/immigration
Video Investors get a boost from the continued market rebound at metronews.ca/canada



Lotteries

Friday, April 10
Lotto Super 7: 11, 14, 20, 22, 30, 42 & 43. Bonus 38.
Saturday, April 11
Lotto 6/49: 5, 6, 7, 11, 17 & 34. Bonus 48.
These results are not official.

Council debates stalled projects

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TIMELINES With the roster of stalled building projects growing, a city committee will be asked this week to extend the grace period for shuttered sites.

The land use, planning and transportation committee on Wednesday will be asked to grant struggling developers up to two 180-day reprieves to deal with flagging market conditions.

That would enable projects to have an extra 150 days of breathing room from the existing rules.

Inner city Ald. John Mar said with about a dozen stalled construction projects now on the books and likely more coming as a result of the ailing economy, the city needs to make sure sites with no activity are properly secured.

"Granting an extension to make sure projects are financed properly, I don't have a problem with, but it's a double-edged sword," he said.

"We're very sympathetic



The Arriva project has been shut down until further notice, and now council is discussing what needs to be done with abandoned development lots.

to the plight of the industry and we want to work with them to get these projects moving again, but these sites need to be safe for the public."

Mar said some shuttered projects in the core have done little to shore up the property and that could

lead to dangerous situations.

In one case in his ward, a car went out of control and smashed through a wooden fence surrounding a construction pit, something he's worried may become more frequent if more vacant sites

appear.

The city has been working with developers and builders on ways to secure sites with no activity, including plans to have the city front the cost of shoring up properties and recover the cost from the developer.

Flames fans to stay local despite loss?

NHL Despite the team's recent victory over the Edmonton Oilers, Cody Delarue doubts the Calgary Flames have what it takes to make it to the playoff finals.

"They're not closers, they never have been," he said. "There's too much hostility with (Olli) Jokinen and the other Flames."

After losing first place in the Northwest Division to the Vancouver Canucks, Calgary defeated the Edmonton Oilers 4-1 in Saturday night's game and will enter the playoffs in fifth place.

A few fans, like Delarue, might have lost faith, said bartender Dan Smith, but he still expects a full house at the Garage Sports Bar when the team plays its first playoff game against the Chicago Blackhawks.

"As long as the Flames are playing, then the fans will be there," he said. "Especially if they play like they played last night."

ALYSSA JULIE/FOR METRO CALGARY

Two separate stabbings Friday

Police were called to two separate stabbings late Friday night, both in the northeast and both on Calgary Transit buses. The first 19-year-old victim was taken to hospital with serious injuries and the second victim was an adult with serious injuries. **METRO CALGARY**

Ambulance crash lands 4 in hospital

ACCIDENT An ambulance was involved in a collision Saturday evening on Deerfoot Trail that sent four people to hospital, including three EMS staff.

The collision occurred on the 16th Avenue NE ramp and firefighters needed to use the Jaws of Life to free the driver of the car. All four people suffered non-life threatening injuries, but the driver was transported to hospital in serious condition.

Pair escape plane crash east of city

EMERGENCY Two people were sent to hospital with minor injuries when their Cessna plane went down just east of Edmonton yesterday afternoon.

A man and woman were aboard the plane when it crashed just shortly after taking off from the Cooking Lake Airport in Strathcona County. Both were treated on scene. Reports say the plane may have been trying to make an emergency landing when it crashed.

Minivan collides with CPR train

TRAFFIC A man is in hospital after his minivan was T-boned by a CPR train just north of Calgary yesterday afternoon.

The man was heading west on Highway 566 near Balzac around 12:30 p.m. when he was hit just behind the driver's side door, according to RCMP.

Investigators said it seems like the car was moving when he was hit and the crossing lights were activated at the time.

The man was taken to hospital in stable condition. **METRO CALGARY**



The Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter has reported an increase in calls during the recession, receiving 1,366 calls in February alone.

Shelter overwhelmed

Women's centre sees 300 per cent increase in calls

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Worrying about paying the bills and feeding the kids is always stressful. But in this tough economy, it's resulting in a dramatic increase in calls to the Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter.

The CWES has reported 1,366 calls in February alone, a 300 per cent increase from the year before.

Fred, a former abuser who has gone through counselling, said he knows all too well how easily financial stress can trigger

"The number of people seeking support from professional counsellors on our telephone helpline and needing the security of our shelter continues to escalate to numbers and severity we've never seen before."

CWES executive director Lisa Falkowsky

emotions.

"I know the number of calls is up right now and the only thing I can say is try to be positive and work together. It's a difficult time but you just have to try and ride it out," he said.

Fred said the stress of losing a job and not being

able to pay bills can take a toll on families.

"But there is no excuse for abuse."

While Fred has gone through counselling over the years and reconciled with his fourth wife of 17 years, other women in the city aren't as fortunate, ac-

cording to CWES executive director Lisa Falkowsky.

"The number of people seeking support from professional counsellors on our telephone helpline and needing the security of our shelter continues to escalate to numbers and severity we've never seen before," she said.

While other Canadian cities haven't reported an increase like Calgary's yet, Falkowsky thinks it is because Calgary traditionally has more calls.

"And Calgary seems to be hit harder than other cities and people may be taking it harder," she added.

Other cities

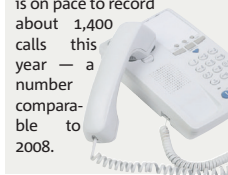
• **Halifax:** Laurie Ehler, executive director with Bryony House, a transition house for abused woman and their children, said because Halifax hasn't been hit as hard in the early stages of the recession as other areas, she expects an increase soon as the impact of the economic decline starts to be felt.

• **Toronto:** The number of male callers to the Distress Centres of Toronto has increased to 50 to 60 per cent from 35 to 40 per cent. Overall usage of the distress lines is up about 10 to 15 per cent this year and they expect to see an additional 10,000 to 20,000 more calls in 2009.

• **Ottawa:** Liz Steel, a manager for the Distress Centre of Ottawa, doesn't think the recession will bring more calls. While cities dependent on industries hit hard by the recession may see an increase, Steel says "Ottawa won't be as affected because the government is still hiring." She said about 70 per cent of distress centre callers are women.

• **Edmonton:** Nancy McCaldar, an executive director with the Support Network, predicts calls will jump from the usual 13,000 it gets annually as more people are laid off. "As the financial issue hits home, that will be the last straw for people," said McCaldar.

• **Vancouver:** Daisy Kler of the Vancouver Rape Relief and Women's Shelter says the organization is monitoring its crisis line to see if the worsening economy leads to more calls. The crisis line is on pace to record about 1,400 calls this year — a number comparable to 2008.



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Canada



No budget adjustments: Flaherty

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty said he has no immediate plans to tinker with his budget, unveiled in late January, even though the economy has shed tens of thousands of more jobs than the fiscal plan had envisioned, a newspaper reported Saturday. Flaherty's budget, unveiled on Jan. 27, aimed to create or maintain about 190,000 jobs within the current fiscal year, which began April 1.

REUTERS

Disabled homeless man ID'd as victim

VANCOUVER A homeless, one-legged man in a wheelchair who was well-known in an east Vancouver neighbourhood was identified by police yesterday as the city's 13th homicide victim of the year. Michael Ciro Nestoruk, 41, was found dead Thursday at Sir Guy Carleton Elementary in the Collingwood neighbourhood. His body was on school property.

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News in brief

HOSTAGES Kidnappers holding two aid workers, including a Canadian, in Sudan's Darfur region said yesterday they will kill them unless Paris re-tries members of a French group convicted but later pardoned over the abduction of children from Chad.

REUTERS

Afghanistan Canadians on the job



Canadian soldiers from the NATO-led coalition board a CH 147 Chinook helicopter in Ma'sum Ghar base in Kandahar province, southern Afghanistan, yesterday. Helicopters are a prime asset in moving NATO-led coalition troops and supplies in the war-plagued country because convoys by road are often blown up by improvised explosive devices.

Dad wants online visits

Works to bring law to Canada

Michael Gough has reached across cyberspace to read his daughter Saige bedtime stories and teach her the ABCs. He's even watched her open Christmas presents from 1,000 miles away.

In the real world of divorce, Gough is a pioneer of what's called "virtual visitation" — electronic communication that is the next-best thing to actually being there for non-custodial parents.

"It's meant to supplement, not replace, face-to-face visits," says Gough, who turned to technology when his ex-wife decided to move from Utah to Wis-

consin with their then four-year-old daughter in the wake of the couple's 2002 divorce.

Shortly after the move, Gough showed up in court armed for battle, schlepping two laptops with high-speed Internet connections. It took \$10,000 in lawyers' fees and a relatively brief demonstration to convince a family court judge that the long-distance dad should be entitled to cyberspace contact.

It's still relatively unknown here, although Gough hopes to work with fathers'-rights groups to get similar access.

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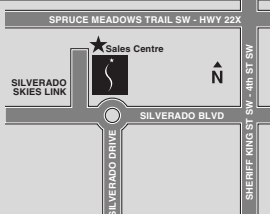
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Separatist militants in Pakistan's Baluchistan province have claimed responsibility for killing six coal-mine workers as violence intensified in the resource-rich province. **REUTERS**

World

U.S. captain rescued from pirate captors

The U.S. Navy shot dead three Somali pirates and rescued cargo ship captain Richard Phillips yesterday from a lifeboat off the coast of Somalia where he was being held captive, ending a five-day standoff.

Phillips' life was in danger when Navy snipers aboard a nearby U.S. destroyer shot his Somali captors, freeing him unharmed and killing three of the four pirates who had held him after trying to seize his vessel, the Navy said. The fourth pirate was in custody.

A U.S. Navy commander made a split-second deci-



Richard Phillips

Stricter laws called for

The drama over the captain's hostage off the coast of Somalia underscores a need for a tighter legal net to fight rampant piracy, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Thad Allen said. New international

agreements would allow other countries to more effectively protect shipments in Somali waters and try pirates, and give shipping companies an alternative to paying ransoms, he told ABC's This Week.

sion to fire on the pirates because he believed that Phillips, who tried to escape Friday, faced danger amid tense hostage talks with his captors and deteriorating sea conditions.

"They were pointing the AK-47s at the captain," Vice Admiral William Gortney, head of the U.S. Naval Central Command, said in a Pentagon briefing.

U.S. President Barack Obama granted the Penta-

gon's request for standing authority to use appropriate force to save the life of the captain, Gortney said.

In remarks yesterday, Obama welcomed the rescue, praised the U.S. military and vowed to curb rampant piracy.

Phillips, captain of the Maersk Alabama container ship, had contacted his family, received a routine medical evaluation, and was resting comfortably.

REUTERS

Thai army cracks down on protesters to clear road

BANGKOK The Thai army cracked down on anti-government protesters early today, firing warning shots at a major junction in the capital at protesters blocking the intersection, who responded by hurling petrol bombs.

The clashes came two days after protesters forced the cancellation of an Asian summit and have undermined confidence in the government and dealt another blow to an economy reeling from political chaos last year.

Bangkok Medical Centre officials said there had been at least 77 injuries, including 19 admitted to hospitals. Two civilians and two soldiers had gunshot wounds.

Prime Minister Abhisit Vejjajiva declared a state of emergency in Bangkok yesterday after red-shirted supporters of former prime minister Thaksin Shinawatra forced the cancellation of an Asian summit in the southern beach resort of Pattaya.

REUTERS

Italy A bitter Easter



A family opens chocolate Easter eggs in a tent camp where earthquake victims are sheltering in L'Aquila, Italy, yesterday. The country's worst earthquake in three decades killed at least 293 people and made nearly 40,000 homeless. Rescue efforts ended when exhausted firemen said all missing people had been accounted for on Saturday evening.

News in brief

NORTHERN IRELAND A dissident nationalist group in Northern Ireland will carry out attacks in mainland Britain as part of its campaign for a united Ireland, a representative said yesterday. The Real IRA also claimed responsibility for the 2006 murder of a former Sinn Féin chief administrator.

NORTH KOREA Six world powers, including China, have agreed to a draft UN Security Council statement condemning North Korea's rocket launch, but analysts in Asia said yesterday its call for tougher sanctions against Pyongyang may be symbolic at best.

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Squirrels vs. Anne Hines

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In the past week, many alert Metro readers have messaged me to ask why the column promo that appeared Friday, April 3 had nothing to do with what the column that ran Monday, April 6, was actually about.

So, I thought I'd offer some insight into how a column is created.

Thursday morning, April 2, I emailed my Metro editor, informing him that Monday's column would be about squirrels. Squirrels and spring flowers.

And why the fact that I have one means I never, ever have any of the other.

"Mike," I said, "I'm writing about squirrels. Put the word out. People need to know. Squirrels it is. You

heard it here first."

I let Mike know this in case he wanted to run a promo in Friday's paper saying something like, "This Monday: Bloom Raiders — Hines vs. Squirrels in the Battle of the Bulbs."

Which pretty much describes the scene of floral carnage in my backyard each April.

Sometime later the same day I sent in the column.

It was about buying a used car.

How could this happen? It's not because the completely evil behaviour of squirrels hopped up on exotic Dutch tulip bulbs isn't of concern. I once wrote an entire article about how I'd like to blow up every squirrel in the world.

I got a lot of reader mail about that one. Mostly from gardeners wanting to

know if blowing up squirrels is legal.

So, a piece titled, "Squirrels: What are they good for?" seemed like a fine idea. I even contacted a squirrel expert to pose this



question. Our conversation went like this. Seriously.

Me: So, squirrels. More useless than beer glasses and nipple rings, right?

SE: Well ... tourists like them.

Me: Excuse me?

SE: People visiting from

cities that don't have squirrels find it interesting to see wild animals in the city.

Me: Do they also come from places that don't have teenagers?

Then it hit me. My city could become the international centre for Squirrel Tourism.

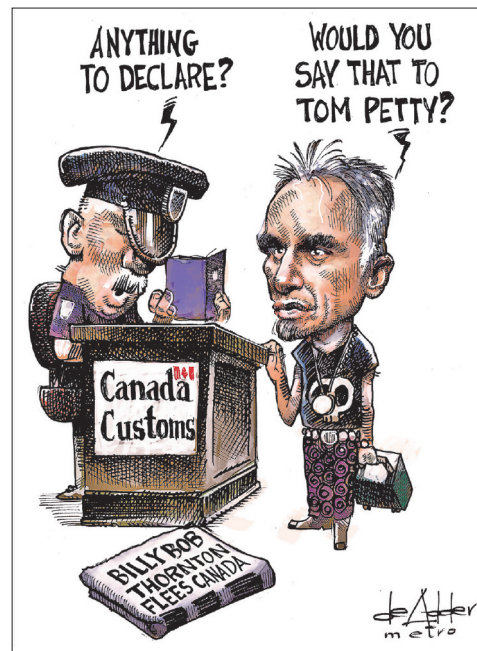
Way better than Ecotourism. They frown on you stashing a koala in your bag, whereas our clients would be encouraged to take home as many furry souvenirs as they can carry.

So, you see, I had every intention of writing about squirrels. But what happened is ... I didn't. The fact is the creative writing process is an unmanageable, untamable thing.

Much like creative writers.

Or, I guess, squirrels.

Anne Hines is an author and humour writer. She has written three novels and one collection of nonfiction humour.



Worth Mentioning

U.S. environmental factors pushing gas prices higher

The average U.S. retail gasoline price rose about 10 cents a gallon over the past three weeks due to environmental costs linked to warmer weather, though the price was 40 per cent lower than a year earlier, according to the Lundberg survey released yesterday.

The average national price for self-serve regular unleaded gasoline was \$2.048 US a gallon on April 10, up 9.58 cents from March 20, according to the survey of gas stations.

The price was a whopping \$1.27 below a year ago levels, when crude oil prices soared.

"The major cause of the rise of nearly a dime in three weeks is seasonal gasoline demand, not only because our consumption rises month by month, but because of the cost of environmental compliance,"

survey editor Trilby Lundberg said in an interview.

As the weather warms, refineries are required to limit vapour pressure in order to avoid smog production. This will add to the cost across North America, she said.

The lower gas prices could spur demand, which is likely to result in a rise in prices, but nowhere near the record \$4.112 per gallon set on July 11, 2008.

REUTERS

Views

How much would you pay to feel safe?

InTransit

Shawn
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We've all been there.

It's late at night and the C-Train platform is deserted, except for the sound of echoing footsteps that seem to be getting closer.

You take a furtive look into the shadows and you can't help but wonder whether it's just another rider like you or something more sinister.

The statistics show violent crime on transit property has dropped markedly, an amazing 38 per cent decrease in the number of assaults in 2008 from its peak

a year earlier.

But try making that case to the mother of a 17-year-old boy who was beaten so severely at the Canyon Meadows C-Train station on April 4 that he suffered a brain injury.

Or to the family of Arcelie Laoagan, whose brutal January 2008 slaying after she got off a train at the Franklin LRT platform and was jumped nearby sparked the city to undertake a massive safety audit of the entire system.

Waning levels of violence notwithstanding, it is with a growing sense of unease that Calgarians board the city's transit system these days.

And that has at least one member of the city's police commission considering handing over the reins of transit security to the Cal-

gary Police Service.

Ald. John Mar said surveys show that Calgarians don't feel safe riding the rails at night and the presence of well trained and properly equipped cops sharing the same cars may work wonders for transit users' sense of security.

"I believe right now when you look at the statistics it is in everyone's best interest that we look at how we're policing the system," he said.

"When you see a police officer you can't help but feel safer and we need to look at the best practices of other cities to see what they're doing."

The notion of putting cops on buses and C-Trains isn't a new one.

Last year I managed to see a secret report, dusted off by police Chief Rick Han-

son, which called for his outfit to take over transit security.

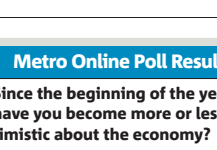
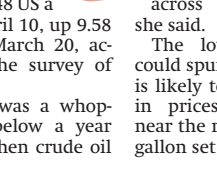
The plan isn't cheap.

For 70 new cops and a new district office that the report calls for, the city would need to drum up \$9 million — that's an approximate one per cent tax hike.

The current crop of 65 transit cops monitoring the system have some powers of arrest, but Mar said while a uniformed police presence may cost a bit more, the sense of relief for transit customers may be worth the extra cost.

"I think if you asked Calgarians, they would pay a little extra to feel safe," he said.

Shawn Logan is a veteran municipal affairs reporter who covered Calgary city hall for three years after working at a number of publications in southern Alberta.



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The new breed of lawn care

Save time, money and reduce your carbon footprint without pesticides

CRAIG MACPHERSON
for Metro Canada



On April 22 (Earth Day) the Ontario government will implement a ban on pesticides for cosmetic use. It's also a hot topic in municipalities across the country.

No more Killex, Par III, Merit for grubs ... the list goes on.

This has left many in the lawn-care industry scrambling to find effective alternatives, or reposition their brand, not to mention the confusion of the homeowner running to stock up on pesticides, but it doesn't have to be that way.

The best way to keep your lawn weed-free and resistant to disease and insect infestation is a sound maintenance program that begins with soil testing.

By testing your soil and having it evaluated by an accredited lab you can find out what deficiencies your soil may have and treat them organically with a program designed specifically for your lawn.

Sounds expensive, but it's not. This procedure can be completed for around \$40.

Next, whether you're a do-it-yourselfer, or have a lawn company taking care of your lawn, proper fertilization, aeration (preferably twice a year), water-



A sound maintenance system is the key to maintaining a healthy lawn without the use of pesticides.

ing, cutting and over-seeding are key.

Annual fall over-seeding especially is your golden ticket to success, but be careful. Don't skimp and buy cheap seed. The less expensive the seed, the more weed seeds you'll be putting back into your lawn. Likewise, topsoil is just as bad. Remember, we are trying to prevent the germination of weeds, not add to the problem.

One suggestion is a low-maintenance seed blend like Eco-Lawn, which doesn't require topsoil, has a deep root system (22.86 centimetres in clay-based soils requiring little or no water), performs well in shade as well as full sun, and grows slowly. It is also high in endophyte to help guard against foliar-feeding insects like chinch bugs.

Grass seeds like Eco-

Lawn are the most inexpensive and environmentally friendly way to keep your lawn thick and weed-free. Over time, you won't need to care as much for your lawn, you will conserve water and cut down on lawn mower emissions, without fertilizer, or weed control.

For too long the lawn-care industry has been feeding the top growth instead of your soil, creating

a shallow root system for your grass. Why? Because it's faster and more cost-effective to do it that way.

Now it's your turn to save time and money and reduce your carbon footprint at the same time.

Embrace the new breed of lawn care.

Craig MacPherson is the owner of Durham Lawn Jockey, an Ontario-based lawn care company.

Making a difference every day

On April 22, more than six million Canadians will participate in activities to help protect and preserve the environment in celebration of Earth Day. But let's not forget to take care of the environment the rest of the year.

Here are five easy ways you can make a difference to the environment throughout the year from TD Friends of the Environment Foundation:

Walk or bike to work, or to run errands during the week;

Use energy-efficient appliances;

Open the windows and give the air conditioner a rest during the summer;

Turn off the lights when leaving a room;

Grow your own food, and encourage kids to get involved by helping to plant the seeds and watch the fruits and vegetables grow.

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Alcoa laying off 275 at Quebec plant

U.S. aluminum company Alcoa Inc. is laying off about 275 workers at its Quebec smelter in Becancour after the union refused to cut workers' hours to help trim costs. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

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Business

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Canada lagging on wireless

70% penetration rate ranks near bottom of recent survey

Canada may be the home of the popular BlackBerry smartphone, but the country remains rather pokey when it comes to the number of people that actually use wireless devices.

Despite being an otherwise tech-savvy nation, Canada's rate of wireless penetration continues to hover at a meagre 70 per cent, a survey released last Thursday by research firm TNS has found.

That puts Canada near the bottom of 31 other

Market fears

Telus Corp.'s stock fell 11 per cent to close at \$31.58 on the Toronto Stock Exchange last week, while shares of

Rogers Communications Inc. and BCE Inc. also slumped amid concerns about a slowdown in the wireless sector.

countries in the online survey, on par with Vietnam and Mexico and just ahead of last-ranked India.

The survey also found Canadians are only willing to spend about \$140 on their next device. By contrast, users in other coun-

tries are willing to shell out as much as \$490, a discrepancy that's partly due to the history of Canadian carriers subsidizing handset prices in exchange for locking subscribers into lengthy wireless contracts.

The findings were re-

leased on the same day that Telus Corp. said a weak economy would hurt first-quarter wireless results after dragging down subscriber additions and the average price of customers' monthly bills.

But while cash-strapped Canadians are cutting back on their wireless spending, critics argue limited competition and high wireless prices have also played a role in keeping cellphone customers on the sidelines.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Business in brief

MUSIC The concert industry is awaiting details about U.S. legislation that would impose a 48-hour waiting period after a concert on-sale before a ticket reseller can buy those tickets to

put on the secondary market.

MARKETS If Wells Fargo's strong first-quarter preliminary performance is any sign, stocks could rally fur-

ther this week on any reassuring news when three other big banks post quarterly results.

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ployers cut 61,000 net jobs in March, pushing the unemployment rate up 0.3 of a percentage point to eight per cent, a seven-year high.

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Buffalo Sabres bench boss Lindy Ruff has been named head coach of the Canadian team for the upcoming IIHF World Hockey Championship in Switzerland. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Sports

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U.S. beats Canada, defends title

The United States won its second straight women's world hockey championship with a 4-1 win over Canada yesterday in Finland. The Americans have won back-to-back titles for the first time after beating Canada 4-3 in last year's final in China. The U.S. is now 4-2 versus Canada in their last six games and are 3-0 in finals in their last three international tournaments. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Curling Scotland wins worlds



Canada's third John Morris, right, watches the line of his shot as Scotland's second Peter Smith looks on during the World Men's Curling Championship gold medal game in Moncton, N.B., last night. Scotland beat Kevin Martin's Edmonton rink for the third time in the tournament, 7-6, to capture the title.

Cabrera the Master

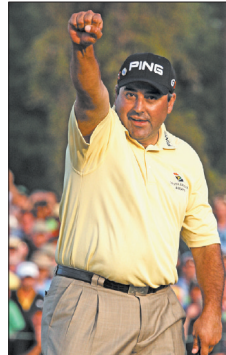
Argentina's Angel Cabrera won his second major title with a nerve-jangling playoff victory at the Masters yesterday.

The 2007 U.S. Open champion edged out Americans Kenny Perry and Chad Campbell, clinching the Green Jacket with a par four at the second extra hole.

After hitting his approach to 12 feet, Cabrera calmly two-putted before raising his right arm in celebration.

Perry, 48, bidding to become golf's oldest major champion, had overshot the green with his second stroke and was unable to save par after chipping back 18 feet past the hole.

Campbell, like Perry seeking his first major triumph, dropped out when he bogeyed the first extra



Angel Cabrera celebrates his par-saving putt on the first sudden-death playoff hole at the Masters yesterday.

hole, the par-four 18th, after hitting his approach into a bunker.

It was the third playoff at Augusta in the last seven

years, and the first involving three men since Larry Mize edged out Seve Ballesteros and Greg Norman in 1987.

Cabrera (71), Perry (71) and Campbell (69) had finished the regulation 72 holes tied on 12-under 276.

Japan's Shingo Katayama birdied two of the last three holes for a 68 to finish fourth on 10 under, a stroke in front of Phil Mickelson, who covered the front nine in a record-equalling six-under-par 30 en route to a 67.

World number 1 and four-time winner Tiger Woods had to settle for a share of sixth place at eight under after bogeying the last two holes for a 68. Calgary's Stephen Ames was the top Canadian, tying for 20th at two over.

REUTERS

Blackhawks finish season with win

NHL Nikolai Khabibulin made 37 saves as the Chicago Blackhawks completed the 2008-09 campaign with a 3-0 win over Detroit yesterday. Returning to the post-season for the first time since 2002, Chicago is the fourth seed in the West and will have home-ice advantage in the first round against the Flames. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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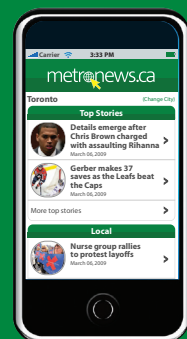
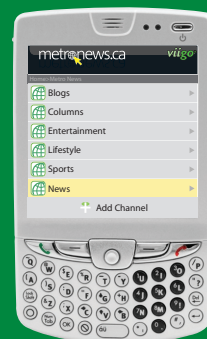
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Workology

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Western Canada needs boost

In order to address the large high school drop-out rate and low PSE enrolment in Western Canada, the four western provinces should join forces to set and work towards a higher graduation target for the region, according to a new report from the Canada West Foundation. The problem is particularly dire in Saskatchewan and Manitoba because of their expansive rural areas, states the report. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Call her 'The Sleep Doula'

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Tracey Ruiz has dubbed herself, The Sleep Doula.

When babies can't fall asleep and wake up constantly in the night, it makes new parents crazy with exhaustion and frustration.

To save their sanity — and their marriages — some call in sleep doula Tracey Ruiz.

Ruiz, 39, is also a regular doula who attends births and helps parents postpartum. Eleven years ago, however, she'd only been to one birth — her own C-section with her son.

Then, while pregnant with her daughter, a friend

needed a lift to the hospital. Ruiz stayed for the entire labour, holding her hand and talking to her. After the birth, which Ruiz thought was "amazing" the nurse said, "You should be a doula."

"What? You can get paid to do this?" Ruiz thought. But after her second maternity leave, Ruiz went back to her job at FedEx. A few years later, when the company started a program

where it offered sabbaticals, she took one and began training through Doulas of North America.

She never went back, but instead began attending births and helping parents with newborns. "It's been a great business to grow as my children have grown," she says.

Ruiz got known for her nighttime post-partum support. Then more and more clients wanted assistance

with sleep. So she trademarked the name "The Sleep Doula" four years ago and created a new service.

Today, Ruiz's Birth Solutions employs ten doulas, four of whom also do sleep (it makes up about 60 per cent of the business).

Some customers sign up for Ruiz's so-called epidural to sleep training: In-home support. For this, Ruiz shows up at the child's bedtime. The parents put the baby down awake and Ruiz stays in the room shushing the baby to sleep.

Whenever the little one wakes up, Ruiz is there — lying in front of the crib wrapped in a comforter — to shush and chat the baby back to sleep. On night two, she just shushes. By the end of the week, parents usually have an excellent sleeper.

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.

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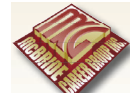
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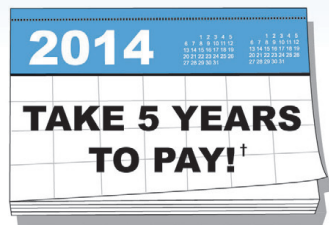
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Hannah hits target

Hannah Montana: The Movie

Director: Peter Chelsom

Stars: Miley Cyrus

Classification: G

Rating: ●●●●

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

If you're not the parent of a 10-year-old girl, perhaps the phenomenon that is the hit TV show-turned-movie Hannah Montana has somehow escaped your world. For such uneducated souls, let me bring you up to speed.

Miley Cyrus plays Miley Stewart, a simple country-girl who also just happens to lead a double-life as Hannah Montana, the most famous pop star in the world.

As Miley, she carries on about her normal life with her father (played by real dad, Billy Ray) escaping notice from her famous alter-ego. And how does she pull off that incredible feat exactly? Well, by wearing a blond wig of course.

In the big-screen adapta-



A scene from Hannah Montana: The Movie.

tion, Miley's alter-ego is becoming too bloated for her own good when she gets in a shoe-fight with Tyra Banks. "Think of it as a Hannah detox," Miley's father explains before hijacking her back to Tennessee where the reluctant star discovers family, love and most importantly, her aw-shucks self.

Yes, the plot of Hannah Montana is as conventional and simple as that; there's no mistaking its means to cater to a pre-pubescent audience by keeping things structured and

easy. But you know what? That's okay.

For what this film aims to be, it mostly works. Sure, there are some expected plot holes and flat bits (like the pointless, unfunny brother character and a cornball ending), but infused with cute, down-home gags and catchy, countrified pop, Hannah Montana will definitely uplift its young audience without overly annoying the adults. Though, I'll be honest — I could still use a Hannah detox myself.

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- 3 Monsters vs. Aliens:** \$22.6 million
- 4 Observe and Report:** \$11.1 million
- 5 Knowing:** \$6.7 million
- 6 I Love You, Man:** \$6.4 million
- 7 The Haunting in Connecticut:** \$5.7 million
- 8 Dragonball Evolution:** \$4.7 million
- 9 Adventureland:** \$3.4 million
- 10 Duplicity:** \$3.0 million REUTERS

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critics' corner

Corner Gas

Who'd have thought that a little sitcom set in a tiny Saskatchewan town would become a hit on both sides of the border? Alas, the adventures of Brent and his friends and relations in Dog River are coming to an end. Tara Spencer-Nairn, Fred Ewanick, Nancy Robertson, Eric Peterson and Janet Wright also star in the series finale. 10:31 PM on CFCN; 10:32 PM on ACCESS



Heroes

Encouraged by Nathan, Peter, Claire and H.R.G., Angela reveals secrets that have haunted her for years. Mohinder (Serdill Ramamurthy) learns that his father was involved in a long-forgotten government operation. Diana Scarwid, Alexa Nikolas and Laura Marano guest star in the new episode "1961." 8 PM on CICT; 10 PM on KHQ

The Big Bang Theory

When a fellow comic book fan starts romancing Penny (Kaley Cuoco), Wolowitz and Leonard (Simon Helberg, Johnny Galecki) decide to check out the brave new world of Ladies' Night at a local bar. Kevin Sussman ("Ugly Betty") guest stars in the new episode "The Hofstadter Isotope." Jim Parsons and Kunal Nayyar also star. 9 PM on CFCN KREM



Parks and Recreation's Chris Pratt, who got engaged to actress Anna Faris late last year, knew she was The One immediately. "I knew I wanted to marry her pretty soon (after I met her.)" he told People magazine. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Celebrity Buzz

Angie rages over Brad's co-star?

PEOPLE Angelina Jolie is jealous of Natalie Portman, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The Changeling star reportedly flew into a rage with partner Brad Pitt after learning the Closer actress had personally asked for him to play her older lover in a new movie.

"Angelina had a massive fit and was shouting her head off. She accused Brad of flirting with Natalie," the website reports a source as saying.



"Angelina can't help but feel threatened. Brad knows how jealous she gets but won't stop saying how gorgeous and intelligent Natalie is. He keeps saying she is 'cute as a button.'"

The website adds that Jolie is particularly worried because she and Pitt started their relationship after meeting on the set of Mr. and Mrs. Smith in 2005 while he was still married to Jennifer Aniston, and she fears a case of history repeating itself.

The source added: "An-

gelina worries about karma. It's eating her up and we're sure the cause of a lot of the rows is her not quite trusting Brad."

The couple has been dogged by rumours their relationship is in trouble in recent weeks. It was recently reported Pitt had pleaded with his girlfriend to attend couples' counselling in a bid to save their relationship.

Jolie is said to have agreed, but only after seeking the advice of her ex-husband Billy Bob Thornton. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Lindsay in breakup downward spiral?

RELATIONSHIPS With her relationship with Samantha Ronson over and her personal life in freefall, Lindsay Lohan needs all the friends she can get. Unfortunately, they're all talking to the press instead.

"Lindsay needs to get psychiatric help. Her friends are really sad for her, but she's out of control, and now she's all alone," a source tells bangshowbiz.com.

Lohan, meanwhile, celebrated the Easter holiday by hurling eggs at photographers

that wouldn't leave her alone outside her Hollywood Hills home, according to Contact Music.

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Woody, airport zombie hunter?

PEOPLE Woody Harrelson had a recent clash with a photographer in New York, but he's got a simple explanation: Harrelson thought he was being attacked by a zombie.

"I wrapped a movie called Zombieland, in which I was constantly under assault by zombies, then flew to New York, still very much in character," the actor said in a statement, according to People magazine. "With my daughter at the airport, I was startled by a paparazzo, who I quite understandably mistook for a zombie."



The Boss no homewrecker

RUMOUR Ann Kelly, the New Jersey woman accused by her husband of having an affair with Bruce Springsteen, says there is no truth to the claim.

"My client absolutely denies having an affair with Bruce Springsteen," Noel Tonneman, Kelly's lawyer, says, according to Hollyscoop. "These are baseless allegations of a jealous man. And that's all there is to it."

Tonneman says Kelly, who filed a domestic violence complaint against her husband on March 3, "Cannot return to her home because of the news media."

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Zac afraid of parenthood

PEOPLE Zac Efron is "frightened" of having children, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The 17 Again actor — who is dating his High School Musical co-star Vanessa Hudgens — admits he is not ready to start a family because he is too selfish.

"The very idea of kids is frightening to me. Maybe it's overexposure at a young age to a lot of kids. Right now I think I'm honestly, deep down, too selfish of a person. So I don't have that longing yet but I think eventually maybe it will come," he said.

"I guess you take the

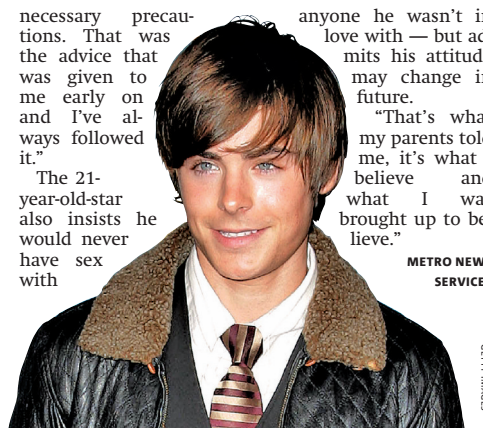
necessary precautions. That was the advice that was given to me early on and I've always followed it."

The 21-year-old star also insists he would never have sex with

anyone he wasn't in love with — but admits his attitude may change in future.

"That's what my parents told me, it's what I believe and what I was brought up to believe."

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Ryan's brutal new role

COMICS Ryan Reynolds — who plays assassin Deadpool in the upcoming X-Men Origins: Wolverine — only agreed to star in the film because it is so bloody, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

He said: "You're not going to see Kill Bill-style blood geysering up from severed heads! But I think you're going to see a kind of violence that's a little more brutal, rugged and ugly. Which is one of the things I liked about it."

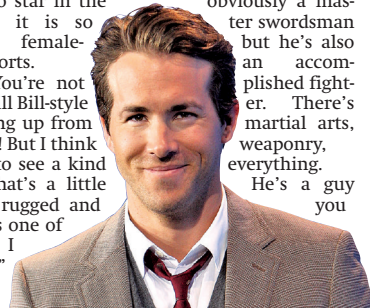
Reynolds

did all his own stunts in the movie, he says. "I trained for months to master the sword work, so he's obviously a master swordsman but he's also an accomplished fighter. There's martial arts, weaponry, everything. He's a guy you

don't want to mess with. "This character is like a surgeon. I've got to be so good with these swords that I put people's jaws on the floor."

Reynolds, a huge fan of the comic his character is based upon, told Total Film magazine: "When I was younger, I found one that I was actually mentioned in. Deadpool said that he looks a lot like a Shar-Pei crossed with Ryan Reynolds. I thought that was just the coolest thing that had ever happened."

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Scarlett explains weight loss

PEOPLE Scarlett Johansson has laughed off reports she is on a crash-diet to keep up with slimmer Hollywood stars, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

Johansson stunned fans in recent months after showing off a more streamlined figure.

Her weight loss prompted tabloid speculation the 24-year-old had embarked upon a strict diet and fitness regime after fearing she would lose out on acting

roles to thinner stars.

But Johansson is adamant her new figure is the result of shaping up in preparation for her role as Black Widow in the forthcoming Iron Man sequel.

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Oprah tangled in scam?

INVESTIGATION Oprah Winfrey has called in the Federal Bureau of Investigation to look into a \$1-million US scam allegedly sponsored by her talk show, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

Winfrey's camp was alerted to the issue by fans complaining about an email they had re-

ceived, claiming they had been electronically selected to compete in an Oprah Millionaire Contest Show. Con artists prompted recipients to fill out a questionnaire and send money for travel arrangements and tickets to the show.

Officials from The Oprah Winfrey Show reported the scam to the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center, and both offices have posted a warning to consumers on their websites, reports the New York Post.

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John and Demi, BFFs

TWITTER John Mayer has moved on to a different girl: Demi Lovato, us-magazine.com reports. No, they're not dating: They've become BFFs via Twitter.

The 16-year-old initiated things by saying "hi." Mayer, 31, replied last week by telling her that her tune La La Land is

"sophisticated."

"You're going to make lots of records, I can tell," he wrote. "Write one song at a time, never apologize for any of them, ever. From Wonderland to Trio stuff, they're all my kids."

Amazed, she replied, "Holy crap. Thank you. You're so awesome. That is quite possibly the best compliment I've received in this business."

... If that's not inspiration, then I don't know what is! You're incredible."

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Mostly Sunny
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Tuesday
Afternoon Clouds
7°C / -2°C



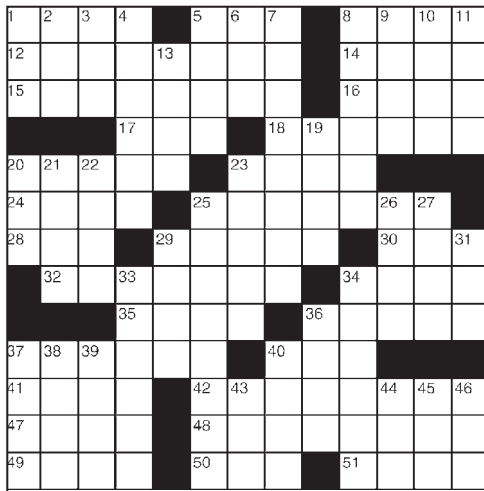
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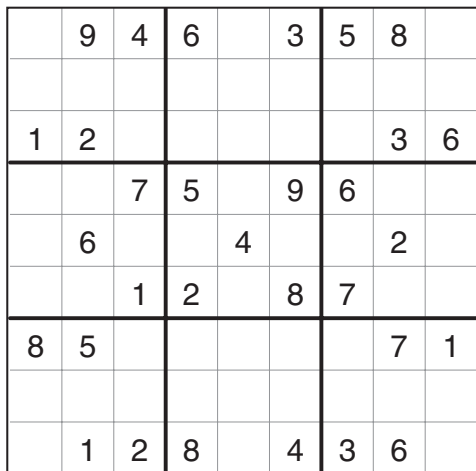
WEEKDAYS AT 6 A.M.



Sudoku

For more/less challenging Sudoku puzzles, visit metronews.ca

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



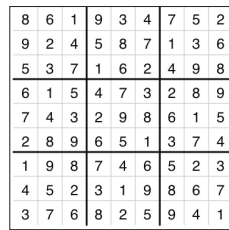
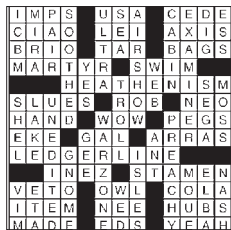
Crossword across

- 1 Hawaiian island
- 5 Bro or sis
- 8 Eatery
- 12 Baldness
- 14 Operatic solo
- 15 Emergency care
- 16 Dissolve
- 17 Smithfield product
- 18 Shimmers
- 20 Burnett or Channing
- 23 Cherished
- 24 One
- 25 Ariel is one
- 28 Dowel
- 29 Star
- 30 Police officer
- 32 Ambushed
- 34 Kathie Lee's "Today" co-host
- 35 Congers
- 36 Church council
- 37 Marital felony
- 40 Cry loudly
- 41 Hebrew month
- 42 "The Fly" tagline, in part
- 47 Booth payment
- 48 Without equitability
- 49 Dispatch
- 50 "Gosh!"
- 51 Take out of the text

Crossword down

- 1 Lummo
- 2 Boxing legend
- 3 Perp. to vert.
- 4 Result
- 5 Con game
- 6 XV divided by V
- 7 Harassed
- 8 Photog's need
- 9 Neighborhood
- 10 Photog's need
- 11 Chows down
- 13 List-ending abbr.
- 19 Gentle as a —
- 20 Half pint
- 21 From the beginning
- 22 Latvia's capital
- 23 Sandwich shops
- 25 Fruit tree pest
- 26 PC picture
- 27 Extinct bird
- 29 Skelton's
- 30 Kadiddlehopper
- 31 Cushion
- 33 Annual
- 34 Cross
- 36 Couch
- 37 Crazy
- 38 "American —"
- 39 Big bash
- 40 Secure
- 43 Compass dir.
- 44 Exist
- 45 Under the weather
- 46 Coloring agent

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:

- Under 13 minGenius
13-17 minScholar
17-21 minSmart
21-25 minNot bad
25+ minKeep practising

Metro Recipe of the Day

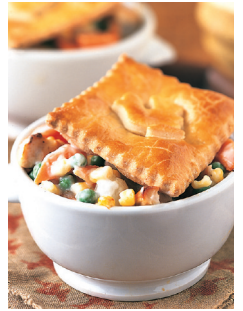
One-Crust Chicken Pot Pies

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 1/2 lbs (750 g) boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 1/2 tsp (2 ml) salt
- 1 refrigerated piecrust
- 1 egg white, lightly beaten with 1 tsp (5 ml) water
- 2 medium carrots, peeled and thinly sliced
- 1 cup (250 ml) frozen corn kernels
- 1 cup (250 ml) frozen green peas
- 1 cup (250 ml) frozen small white onions
- 1 cup (250 ml) table cream
- 6 tbsp (90 ml) all-purpose flour
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) margarine
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) black pepper

METHOD:

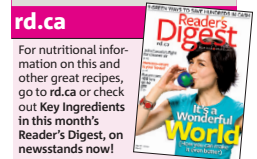
1. Bring chicken breasts, 1/4 tsp (1 ml) salt, and enough water to cover to a simmer in large pot over medium-high heat. Reduce heat to low; gently poach chicken until juices run clear, 15 minutes. Transfer chicken to cutting board; cool and cut into bite-size pieces. Reserve 2 cups (500 ml) poaching liquid.
2. Preheat oven to 425°F (220°C). Lightly coat baking sheet and six 1-cup (250-ml) ovenproof dishes with non-stick cooking spray.
3. Dust work surface with flour. Unfold pie crust on surface and roll out. Cut 6 squares to fit on top of pies.
4. Make 6 decorations and attach 1 cutout to each pastry square with egg white. Brush tops of decorated pastries with



egg white. Transfer to baking sheet and bake until golden brown, 12 minutes. Transfer to wire rack to cool.

5. Meanwhile, cook carrots in boiling water until tender, 5 minutes; drain. Rinse frozen vegetables with hot water; drain. Whisk cream and flour in small bowl. Melt margarine in medium pot over medium heat. Whisk in cream mixture, then reserved poaching liquid. Cook until sauce thickens and boils, 5 minutes. Stir in chicken, carrots, corn, peas, onions, black pepper and remaining salt. Cook until heated through, about 3 minutes; divide among dishes and bake until bubbling, 15 minutes. Top with pastry squares.

SERVES 4



Horoscopes

ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20

People seem to be suffocating others with fear. A nice guy is too exhausted to call. Therapy becomes necessary for a teen's problem.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23

Useless reminders won't bear fruit. Someone's efforts to help out are met with distrust. You'll fix a problem that occurred many miles away.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

A situation changes when someone refuses. A worker misses the point when you explain the rules. Don't give in to senseless demands.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22

A dictator isn't ready to give up. A quick talker expands your career potential. False accusations get under your skin.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21

An embarrassing question is too stupid to ask. Persuade other people that miracles will occur. You won't be held back by anything.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21

A refusal to help out is punished. A professional brings good luck with legal affairs. Don't be afraid to try something new.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22

You'll have a great chance to be clear-sighted. A discussion is balanced by distant people. Education choices will reverberate for years.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20

Pick up the pieces of a broken promise. Unexpected visitors are coming. Expect good luck with a frivolous romantic.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23

A cut-throat businessman has a profitable day. Something you saw affects your mood all day. You'll get support during a draining time.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18

You'll have some free time. Changes will make you gasp with joy. A remarkable friend influences a lonely walker.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

Feign enthusiasm until you really feel it. A brave approach to bullying won't work. Much attention is focused on a conflict.

PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20

Typical oddball behaviour is forbidden. Don't ruin your reputation by being hypocritical. Someone demands to know that you're concerned.

This day in history

- APRIL 13, 1111: Henry V is crowned Holy Roman Emperor.
- APRIL 13, 1796: The first elephant ever seen in the United States arrives from India.
- APRIL 13, 1829: The British Parliament grants freedom of religion to Roman Catholics.
- APRIL 13, 1849: Hungary becomes a republic.
- APRIL 13, 1870: Metropolitan Museum of Art founded.
- APRIL 13, 1902: James C. Penney opens his first store in Kemmerer, Wyoming.
- APRIL 13, 1997: Tiger Woods becomes the youngest golfer to win golf's Masters Tournament.

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